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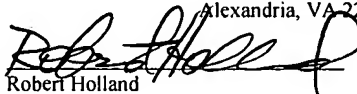
Title: **METHOD AND DEVICES FOR DEPOSITING SAMPLES ON AN  
ELECTRICALLY SHIELDED SUBSTRATE**

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**RENEWED PETITION TO REVIVE UNINTENTIONALLY  
ABANDONED APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(b)  
AND RENEWED REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.497(d)**

Dear Sir:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely reply to a decision in response to Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(b) filed on March 16, 2009 and renewed request to correct inventorship under 37 C.F.R. 1.497(d). The date of the decision was September 10, 2009. The decision allowed a request for reconsideration to be filed within two months of the mailing date of the decision, which could be extended for four months for a total of six months, thereby having the final date of response to the decision being March 10, 2010.

The previously submitted petition to add inventors did not include the consent of the assignee as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.497(d)(3). A declaration of Scienion AG was executed by the CEO of the company indicating consent to the requested addition of four inventors. The

acceptance of the declaration was denied. Applicant is now submitting a document in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) indicating consent of the assignee.

In addition, the declarations submitted by the additional inventors, Lubbert, Schenk, Eichkoff, and Horn, were not acceptable because the declarations did not name the proper inventive entity, even though an assignment was filed, with a declaration of Scienion AG. Further, the revised declaration of the inventors also did not include the citizenship of all the inventors. The previous declarations by inventors Nordhoff and Bullock have been accepted.

In reply, Applicant is submitting this petition and also (1) a Statement under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) required to permit acceptance of the consent of the assignee to the requested changed of inventorship and (2) complete copies of declarations executed by the inventors of record that include all required information, including the citizenship of each of the inventors. As stated, the declaration of Bullock has been submitted and accepted. Therefore, the declarations, including country of citizenship, for Nordhoff, Lubbert, Schenk, Eichkoff, and Horn are being submitted with this petition.

The entire delay in filing the required reply to the decision from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) was unintentional. A check for the amount \$810, the small entity fee, for this petition is being submitted herewith. If there are additional charges or credits, please charge Deposit Acct. No. 22-0259.

Respectfully submitted,

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